AUTOMOTIVE GLASS WORK AND FLAT GLASS WORK EXAMINING BOARD

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APRIL 25, 2014

The Connecticut Automotive Glass Work and Flat Glass Work Examining Board held a regular meeting on April 25, 2014 commencing at 9:30 AM in Room 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106.

Board Members present: Jennifer Russell-Vanasse (Unlimited Contractor-Flat

Glass Work)

Frank Pitrone (Unlimited Contractor-Automotive

Glass Work)

Carl Von Dassel (Unlimited Contractor- Flat Glass

Work)

John A. Wisniewski (General Contractor-

Auto Glass Work)

Board Members not present: Brian Blank (*Public Member*)

Edward J. Fusco (Unlimited Journeyperson- Flat

Glass Work)

David A. Wills (Public Member)

Board Vacancies: One. (Public Member)

Board Counsel: Not present, as requested.

DCP Staff Present: Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A., Department of Consumer

Protection

Richard M. Hurlburt, Department of Consumer

Protection

Others Present: Larry Satchell, Connecticut Department of Labor

Joe Fazzino, District Council 11, Local 1274 Carl Reiser, Norwich Glass Company Stephen Brennan, Mitchell Glass Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions, and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information, contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director, at (860) 713-6135 or Fax (860)-706-1255.

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1. 9:30 A.M. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN.

In recognition of the fact that Mr. Fusco is not present at today's meeting, the Board voted to elect Ms. Russell-Vanasse as their Acting Chairman for today's meeting. (Wisnieski/VonDassel). The Meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

2. REVIEW OF DRAFT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: <u>JANUARY 24, 2014</u>.

After a thorough review, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the minutes as submitted. (Pitrone/Wisniewski)

3. COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

A. Mr. Reiser hopes the Board adapts a more aggressive stance on applications from out-of-State applicants in terms of requiring their participation in an Apprenticeship Program. Ms. Russell-Vanasse noted that out-of-State applicants who do not have an office in Connecticut fall outside this Board's jurisdiction and as such, they can not require these applicants to participate in any formal training.

In substitution for this, this Board looks for at least ten years work in the trade as an equivalent to the related classroom hours and on the job training hours requirements of the Connecticut Flat Glass Apprenticeship Program sanctioned by the Department of Labor. Applicants from out-of-State not meeting this requirement have been denied by the Board in the past. As an aside, the Board also needs to address the employers of these applicants as separate issue. The Board will communicate with Mr. Richard Maloney, Director of the Trade Practices Division on this concern.

B. Mr. Pitrone asked the Board a question regarding an applicant for licensing he knows that has failed the test and wants to retake the examination. The question is does this applicant need to come before the Board again for re-approval. Mr. Kuzmich explained that once an applicant is approved to sit, his eligibility to retake the examination remains. Mr. Satchell also noted that if this candidate brings his failing test results to

the Apprenticeship Department, a committee will review with the candidate his strengths and weaknesses and, if necessary, renew his Apprenticeship registration if more than one year has elapsed since he first sat for the examination.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Application of Mr. Steven L. Ferrari for a Automotive Glass Journeyperson's license (AG-1); for review and discussion by the Board. At their last meeting, the Board determined that he needs to resubmit a new application for an AG-1 License type. Applicant was instructed to pay the difference in fees and request that his license type be changed from an AG-2 Journeyperson to an AG-1 Contractor type. As such, the Board tabled his application and noted they will review his revised application for the AG-1 Contractor Examination at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

B. Application of Mr. Stephen J. Brennan for a Flat Glass Journeyperson's license (FG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. The Board voted to add this application to today's agenda. (Von Dassel/Pitrone). At their last meeting, the Board reviewed the application in detail and voted to deny the same based upon a lack of clarification of the applicant's job related duties and related classroom instruction. The applicant provided a letter from his employer which was essentially comprised of a cut and paste of the apprenticeship requirements as posted on the Department of Labor's website without further clarification. With the applicant not being present to answer the Board's questions, the application was denied and the applicant was given the opportunity to come before the Board at today's meeting to appeal their decision and answer any questions.

Mr. Brennan gave the Board supplemental information to his original application. He reviewed his present and past employment detailing his work related duties in response to questions from the Board. A motion was made by Mr. Von Dassel to allow Mr. Brennan to sit for the examination. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wisniewski. Ms. Russell-Vanasse believes the applicant should participate in some on-line training to satisfy the related classroom instruction element of the apprenticeship program since he has adequate on-the-job training. The Board discussed whether or not the applicant's extensive on-the-job training hours can make up for his lack of related classroom instruction. After more discussion, the Board voted, again, to approve Mr. Brennan's application for the FG-2 Journeyperson's Examination. The vote was 3-1 in favor; Ms. Vanasse voted not in favor.

5. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE:

A. Substitute Bill No. 5299 – An Act Concerning the Findings of the Military Occupational Specialty Task Force; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged this information and thanked the Department for the same.

<u>B. History of the State Building Code in Connecticut</u>; for the Board's information The Board acknowledged this information and thanked the Department for the same..

<u>C. July 2014 Connecticut Examination Development Schedule</u>; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged this information and thanked the Department for the same.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

First review of Applications received by the Department:

A. Application of Mr. Michael J. Coletti for a Flat Glass Journeyperson's license (FG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. The Board reviewed this application in detail and determined that the application, as submitted, is insufficient for the Board to review and make a determination of the applicant's qualifications in terms of related classroom instruction hours and on-the-job training hours. As such, the Board voted to table this application and require the applicant to come before them at their next regular meeting scheduled for July 25, 2014. Mr. Coletti will be notified by e-mail of their decision. (Von Dassel/Wisniewski)

<u>B. Application of Mr. Daniel J. Chacaliaza for a Flat Glass Journeyperson's license (FG-2)</u>; for review and discussion by the Board. The Board reviewed this application in detail and determined that the application, as submitted, is insufficient for the Board to review and make a determination of the applicant's qualifications in terms of related classroom instruction hours and on-the-job training hours. As such, the Board voted to table this application and require the applicant to come before them at their next regular meeting scheduled for July 25, 2014. Mr. Chacaliaza will be notified by e-mail of their decision. (Wisniewski/Von Dassel)

C. Application of Mr. Chaka D. Gray for a Flat Glass Journeyperson's license (FG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. After a thorough review, the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Chaka's application for the FG-2 Journeyperson's Examination. (Pitrone/Von Dassel) The vote was 3-1 in favor; Mr. Wisniewski voted not in favor.

D. Application of Mr. Robert A. Hallenbeck for a Flat Glass Journeyperson's license (FG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. After a thorough review, the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Hallenbeck's application for the FG-2 Journeyperson's Examination. (Pitrone/Von Dassel) The vote was 3-1 in favor; Mr. Wisniewski voted not in favor.

<u>E. Application of Mr. Michael S. Kosiver for a Flat Glass Contractor's license (FG-1)</u>; for review and discussion by the Board. The Board voted, unanimously, to approve Mr. Kosiver's application to sit for the FG-1 Flat Glass Contractor's Examination. (Wisniewski/Von Dassel)

<u>F. Application of Mr. Daniel L. Kozikowski for a Automotive Glass Journeyperson's license (AG-2)</u>; for review and discussion by the Board. The Board reviewed this application in detail and determined the application as submitted (one page only w/no supporting documentation) is insufficient for the Board to review and make a determination of the applicant's qualifications in terms of related classroom instruction hours and on-the-job training hours. The Board voted to deny this application. (Von Dassel/Wisniewski)

<u>G. Application of Mr. David A. Kuritzky for a Flat Glass Contractor's license (FG-1)</u>; for review and discussion by the Board. After a thorough review, the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Kuritzky's application for the FG-1 Contractors's Examination. (Pitrone/Von Dassel) The vote was 3-1 in favor; Mr. Wisniewski voted not in favor.

H. Application of Mr. Ralph F. Pacifico for a Flat Glass Journeyperson's license (FG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. After a thorough review, the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Pacifico's application for the FG-2 Journeyperson's Examination. (Von Dassel/Pitrone) The vote was 3-1 in favor; Mr. Wisniewski voted not in favor.

I. Application of Mr. Gary T. Sand for a Flat Glass Journeyperson's license (FG-2); for review and discussion by the Board. After a thorough review, the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Sand's application for the FG-2 Journeyperson's Examination. (Pitrone/Von Dassel) The vote was 3-1 in favor; Mr. Wisniewski voted not in favor.

7. OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Richard Maloney addressed the Board concerning complaints his Division has investigated and gave the Board a Complaint Report covering the period between April 1, 209 through April 23, 2014. The Board focused on the discussion concerning the

definition of pre-glazed glasswork which began when Mr. Maloney discussed a complaint his Division investigated on a project in Stamford, Connecticut. Board Members offered their explanations of pre-glazed glass using various examples of situations in their profession. It was noted that the Board has developed a more elaborate definition of pre-glazed that the Department has for use by their investigators.

After more discussion by the Board and Mr. Maloney, it was decided that the Board will bring to their next meeting examples of pre-glazed glass samples for Mr. Maloney's benefit. Mr. Maloney suggested that this Board and his Division hammer-out a clear definition of pre-glazed glasswork and pursue a change in the Regulation for the benefit of all. The Board thanked Mr. Maloney for his time and efforts.

8. COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

No one scheduled before the Board today. In addition, there were no additional requests from anyone present at today's meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:02 AM.

NEXT MEETING DATE; FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2014

STATE OFFICE BUILDING 165 CAPITOL AVENUE, RM. 117 HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

TIME: 9:30 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

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